GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1779
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PURCHASE OF BOFORS GUNS FROM SWEDEN
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to purchase more Bofors guns from Sweden in view of its performance in the Kargil war; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the time by which the deal is likely to be finalised?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES)

(a)&(b): The guns purchased from Bofors, Swedenearlier are 155 mm Artillery guns. It is proposed to trial evaluate 155 mm Artillery guns offered by various vendors of the world on "no cost no commitment" basis. No final decision has yet been taken in this regard.